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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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| Ser. No.: 10/751,077 | Filed: December 30, 2003                                     | Examiner: T.R.Till |
| Art Unit: 1744       | Title: <b>VACUUM CLEANER WITH NOISE SUPPRESSION FEATURES</b> |                    |

To the Commissioner for Patents:


Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED                   |   |       |                                    |                             |         |                 |
|-------------------------------------|---|-------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|
|                                     | Claims remaining after amendment  |       | Highest Number Previously Paid For | No. of Extra Claims Present | Rate    | Additional Rate |
| Total Claims                        | 66  | Minus | 69                                 | 0                           | X \$50  | \$0.00          |
| Indep. Claims                       | 10  | Minus | 8                                  | 2                           | X \$200 | \$400.00        |
| TOTAL                               |   |       |                                    |                             | =       | \$400.00        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | No additional fee is believed due however, if this is not the case, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.  |       |                                    |                             |         |                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Payment for the filing of this Amendment and any appropriate extension of time fees are authorized to be charged to a Credit Card. The appropriate form PTO-2038 is enclosed for this purpose. If the Credit Card is unable to be charged, please charge any and all fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. |       |                                    |                             |         |                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Applicant(s) hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.   |       |                                    |                             |         |                 |

Respectfully submitted,


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May 3, 2006  
Date

  
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| Date<br>May 3, 2006 | Printed Name/Signature<br>Theresa L. Lucas  |
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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT(S) : Paul D. Stephens, et al.  
TITLE : VACUUM CLEANER WITH NOISE  
SUPPRESSION FEATURES  
APPLICATION NO. : 10/751,077  
FILED : December 30, 2003  
CONFIRMATION NO. : 1258  
EXAMINER : Till, Terrence R.  
ART UNIT : 1744  
LAST OFFICE ACTION : April 4, 2006  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : RYLZ 2 00745-1-1

**AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT C**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to a Final Office Action mailed April 4, 2006, on the above-referenced application.


**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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